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1. ☒ The amendment filed on *21 September 2006* under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

   a) ☐   entered.

   b) ☐   entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.

   c) ☐   disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

        Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1)

        and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.

   d) ☒   disapproved. See explanation below.

   e) ☐   entered in part. See explanation below.

See Continuation Sheet

Continuation of 1 (e) Entered in part. See explanation:

Response to 312 Amendments

As per claim 1, 10, 21, 27 and 32, the proposed amendments filed on September 21, 2006 have not been entered with the following reasons:

As per claim 32, the amendment raises the 112-2nd issue of rejection because "the information" as amended and recited in the last paragraph is unclear due to insufficient / duplicated antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim as the claim language "information including" amended and presented at both of the 4th paragraph and 7th paragraph, respectively. Therefore, it is unclear in its meaning and its context about exactly which information recited before that the information is actually referred to.

As per claim 10, the amendment, as shown in the last paragraph, "when the server, requests to have message authenticated" should be corrected to "when the server requests to have message authenticated" (i.e. delete the ",").

As per claim 1, Examiner proposes the following amendments for allowance by adding the claim limitation with "an encrypted hash of the message" in consistent with claim 10 and also clearly point out, at least, how to authenticate the message in the claim.
(5th paragraph) sending to the sender from the server, before any authentication of the message, a copy of the message, [[an encrypted hash of the message]] and the information received by the server from the recipient,
(6th paragraph) thereafter sending the information including the message [[and the encrypted hash of the message]] from the sender to the server before any authentication of the message by the server ...

As per claim 21, (a) the amendment raises the 112-2nd issue of rejection because "information including the information" as amended and presented in the last paragraph is unclear due to insufficient antecedent basis as to what is the information previously transmitted from the server to the sender as recited in the claim, and (b) Examiner proposes the amendment for allowance by adding the claim limitation with "an encrypted hash of the message" in consistent with claim 10 and also clearly point out, at least, how to authenticate the message in the claim - please refer to proposed amendment of claim 1 set forth above.

As per claim 27, Examiner proposes the following amendments for allowance by adding the claim limitation with "an encrypted hash of the message" in consistent with claim 10 and also clearly point out, at least, how to authenticate the message in the claim - please refer to proposed amendment of claim 1 set forth above.
(9th paragraph) sending to the sender from the server, before any authentication of the message, the message, [[an encrypted hash of the message]] and the information received by the server from the recipient,
(10th paragraph) thereafter sending the information including the message [[and the encrypted hash of the message]] from the sender to the server before any authentication of the message by the server ....

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